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For Scouting Families

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Camp Staff Interviews

Do you have a son or daughter looking for a Summer job with an opportunity to make Life Long Friends and Change lives? The Jayhawk Area Council will be holding 2024 Camp Staff interviews on December 26-27, 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the Rolley Service Center.

A variety of positions are available for youth ages 14 and above including Counselors in Training. Secure your interview time slot today

Scan Me!



Last Minute Stocking Stuffers!

Looking for **Christmas gifts** for your Scout? Don't forget to check out the Jayhawk Scout Shop. Located at 1020 SE Monroe in downtown Topeka, the Jayhawk Scout Shop has uniform accessories, camping equipment, and much more for the new Scout all the way to the Eagle Scout.

We are open M-F 9:00 - 5:30 and on Saturdays from 9:00 - 1:00.

NESA Scholarships Available!

National Eagle Scout Association scholarship applications window is now open!

If you are a parent of a graduating Eagle Scout or if you are a leader that knows of an Eagle Scout in your troop or crew that is graduating this spring, then please forward this information to them. Scholarship opportunities are open for four-year university or trade school.

Last year, NESA awarded more than \$536,000 to members. Go to NESA.org/scholarships for more details.

Klondike is on Point in 2024!

If your son's or daughter's Troop, Crew or Webelos Den is looking for a memorable winter camping experience, the 2024 Council Klondike promises to deliver! This event will be held on January 19-21 down at the Turkey Point Campground near Osage City.

Our Council Recognition Dinner takes place on Saturday, February 10, 2023, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Washburn University.

Eagle Scout parents should be on the lookout for a Letter inviting their Eagle Scout and up to 3 guests to attend the Dinner.

The Council Annual Recognition Dinner is open to all Scouters as well as their parents. The Dinner celebrates the 2023 Eagle Scout Class, recognizes deserving council volunteers, along with the Silver Beaver Award, the council's highest volunteer honor.

Feb 17 MB University

Our 2024 Merit Badge University will be held on Saturday, *February 17 of 2024* at Washburn University. This event is hosted by the Bison District,

This event is extremely popular and certain Merit Badge courses fill up quickly. Registration opens January 4th and we encourage you to check out the Jayhawk Council BSA website for more updates coming soon.



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! From our Family to Yours



<u>Upcoming Dates</u> - go to jayhawkcouncil.org for more details

Dec 22-25 Scout Office Closed - Christmas
Dec 26-27 Camp Staff Interviews
Dec 30-Jan 1 Scout Office Closed - New Year's
Jan 6 Dzie Hauk Tonga Lodge Winter Banquet
Jan 19-21 Council Klondike at Turkey Point Campground
Feb 4-10 Scout Anniversary Week

Feb 10 Council Annual Recognition Dinner Feb 17 Washburn Merit Badge University

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Award Nominations due soon!

The Council Annual Recognition Dinner will take place in February. At that event, we will recognize the 2023 Class of Eagle Scouts, highlights of the past year and recognize top volunteers and youth in our council.



There are a number of awards you can nominate individuals for by **December 15**.

Nominate Deserving Youth by Dec. 21! All Scout Leaders are encouraged to fill out a nomination form and recommend deserving youth to participate in our 2024 NYLT course.

https://jayhawkcouncil.org/2023/12/05/nylt-nominations-due-december-21/

WFA Training Coming Soon!

Our next Wilderness First Aid Training will take place on **March 1-3**, **2024**, at the Falley Scout Reservation. Registration will open in early January. Check the Council website for more information coming soon.

The BSA is on Point!

Our Council Klondike will be held January 19 - 21 at the Turkey Point Campground near Osage City.

All units are asked to go into the Registration portal and provide an estimated attendance count for youth and adults by December 18th. Unit Stocking Cap orders also need to be placed by **December 11** in order to have them available at Klondike.

Units can provide their final counts in early January. Sign your unit up today by scanning the QR code below.



Welcome Tara Montgomery!

Tara Montgomery joined our Jayhawk Council Staff on December 4th, as the new Program Assistant.

Tara will be responsible for all council program related support including promotion on our council website, processing of event registrations, assisting in the Jayhawk Scout Shop and handling front-line questions related to council and district events.

Welcome aboard Tara!

Wood Badge and NYLT Auction Dinner will be held on Saturday, March 2 at 6:00 pm.

Proceeds from this event are used to fund scholarships for future courses. Silent Auction items are now being accepted.

Anyone interested in donating an auction item may contact Joe at joseph.blasko@scouting.org



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National Youth Leadership Training
At Falley Scout Reservation

May 26 - June 1, 2024 Registration opens in early January! Click here for more information. <u>Upcoming Dates</u> - go to jayhawkcouncil.org for more details

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